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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: HB 1489

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 12, 2013

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Grants for Green Industry Jobs.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Forestal

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: ☒ **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: The bill establishes the Green Jobs Training Program to support opportunities for eligible workers to receive job training in green industry sectors and occupations. It requires the Department of Workforce Development (DWD) to administer the program.

The bill establishes the Green Jobs Training Fund.

The bill provides that DWD shall:

- (1) Identify and develop the framework, potential funding, strategies, policies, partnerships, and opportunities necessary to address the need for a highly skilled and well-trained workforce to meet the needs of the green economy; and
- (2) Subject to the availability of appropriated funds, award grants from the Fund to employers and other persons for worker training grants.

Effective Date: July 1, 2013.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *Department of Workforce Development* - DWD is to develop the Green Jobs Training Program and administer the Fund, which pays for grants for training of eligible workers in green industry technologies. DWD must submit an annual report to Legislative Council regarding the Program.

The bill's requirements represent an additional workload on DWD outside of the agency's routine administrative functions, and existing staffing and resource levels, if currently being used to capacity, may be

insufficient for full implementation. The additional funds and resources required could be supplied through existing staff and resources currently being used in another program or with new appropriations. Ultimately, the source of funds and resources required to satisfy the requirements of this bill will depend on legislative and administrative actions.

Green Jobs Training Fund - The nonreverting fund consists of appropriations, investment income, and any other monies deposited into the Fund. The Treasurer of State shall invest the money in the Fund not currently needed to meet the obligations of the Fund. The Fund is used to provide training opportunities to eligible workers (including unemployed displaced workers and veterans) who wish to undergo training in a green industry sector and/or occupation. The bill makes no appropriation for the program or fund.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Department of Workforce Development, Treasurer of State.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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